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The House will vote this week on three bills as part of the final Fiscal Year 2012 Appropriations bill package (H.R. 3671, H.R. 3672, and H.Con.Res. 94).

This package of legislation provides critical funds for national security, one of the most basic responsibilities of the federal government. This includes funding for our multiple-fronted military engagements, resources to advance the safety and success of our troops on the ground, benefits and programs for our veterans and active military and their families, and homeland security efforts to protect our borders and our communities.

The legislation also prevents a potential government shutdown and supports important domestic programs and services the American people rely on, while making hard but necessary cuts to help reduce the nation's deficit. In addition, the bill includes several significant policy items to help rein in government overreach and put our economy on more stable footing.

When all FY 2012 Appropriations legislation is complete, Congress will have cut discretionary spending for two straight years in a row – the first time this has occurred in modern history. In fact, the enactment of the final Appropriations legislation will mark a savings of nearly \$31 billion in total discretionary spending compared to last year's level and a savings of \$95 billion compared to FY 2010 – the last year Democrats controlled Congress.

The final FY 2012 Appropriations bill package includes:

1.) A bill (H.R. 3671) that contains FY 2012 funding for federal agencies under the remaining nine Appropriations bills, including: Defense, Energy and Water, Financial Services, Homeland Security, Interior/Environment, Labor/Health and Human Services/Education, the Legislative Branch, Military Construction/Veterans Affairs, and State/Foreign Operations;

2.) A bill (H.R. 3672 that provides funding for disaster aid and recovery assistance;

3.) A bill (H.Con.Res. 94) that contains offsets for the disaster funding.

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